

AMENDED IN ASSEMBLY MAY 31, 2002

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SENATE BILL

No. 1503

Introduced by Senator Ackerman

February 19, 2002

An act to amend Section 19630 of the Government Code, relating to state employment.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 1503, as amended, Ackerman. State employment: civil service proceedings.

Existing law governing the state civil service requires that no person may bring a cause of action of any type, as specified, based on or related to any civil service law in this state, or the administration thereof, unless that action is commenced and served within one year after the cause of action first arose. Existing law also provides that a person bringing an action shall not be compensated for the time subsequent to the date when the cause of action arose unless the action is filed and served within 90 days after the cause arose.

This bill would apply the one-year limitation to the state or any other legal entity bringing these actions, *and would expressly provide that a person seeking a remedy that includes reinstatement, back pay, or both, may not be compensated for the time subsequent to the date when the cause or ground arose, unless that action or proceeding as filed and served within 90 days after the cause or ground arose.* This bill also would establish an exception to the one-year provision by requiring that an action or proceeding to reverse a final decision of the State Personnel

Board for reinstatement or an award of back pay shall be filed and served within 90 days of that final decision.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes.
State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 19630 of the Government Code is
2 amended to read:

3 19630. No action or proceeding shall be brought by any
4 person, the state, or any other governmental entity having or
5 claiming to have a cause of action or complaint or ground for
6 issuance of any complaint, writ, or legal remedy for wrongs or
7 grievances based on or related to any civil service law in this state,
8 or the administration thereof, unless that action or proceeding is
9 commenced and served within one year after the cause of action
10 or complaint or ground for issuance of any writ or legal remedy
11 first arose, except that an action or proceeding to reverse a final
12 decision of the State Personnel Board for reinstatement or an
13 award of back pay shall be filed and served within 90 days of that
14 final decision. ~~The person~~ *A person seeking a remedy that includes*
15 *reinstatement, back pay, or both,* may not be compensated for the
16 time subsequent to the date when the cause or ground arose, unless
17 that action or proceeding is filed and served within 90 days after
18 the cause or ground arose. ~~Where an appeal~~ *a petition for writ of*
19 *mandate* is taken from a decision of the board, the cause of action
20 does not arise until the final decision of the board has been issued.

21 This section shall not be applicable to any action or proceeding
22 for the collection of salary or wage, the amount of which is not
23 disputed by the state agency owing that salary or wage.

